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House of Representatives, January 30, 2003

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Wage and Benefit Records Kept by Contractors Working on Public Works Projects

Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative HUTTON of Bowdoinham.
Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and
Representatives: GROSE of Woolwich, HATCH of Skowhegan, PATRICK of Rumford,
PELLON of Machias, PINEAU of Jay, WHEELER of Kittery, Senators: BRYANT of Oxford,
HATCH of Somerset.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA $\S1311$, as amended by PL 1997, c. 757, $\S9$, is further amended to read:

§1311. Wage and benefit record of contractor

The contractor and each subcontractor in charge of the construction of a public work shall keep an accurate record showing the names and occupation of each and all laborers, workers and mechanics employed by them in connection with the construction on the public works showing the hours worked, the title of the job, the hourly rate and the actual wages paid to each of the laborers, workers and mechanics. A copy of such a record must be kept at the job site, must be filed on a weekly basis with the public authority that let the contract and must be open at all reasonable hours to the inspection of the Bureau of Labor Standards and, the public authority that let the contract, and its officers and agents and any aggrieved party or any resident of this State. It is not necessary to preserve those records for a period longer than 3 years after the termination of the contract.

SUMMARY

This bill provides that the wage and benefit record of the contractor and each subcontractor in charge of the construction of a public work must be filed with the public authority that entered into the contract. It requires that record to be open at all reasonable hours to the inspection of any aggrieved party or resident of this State.